

FORM B - BUILDING

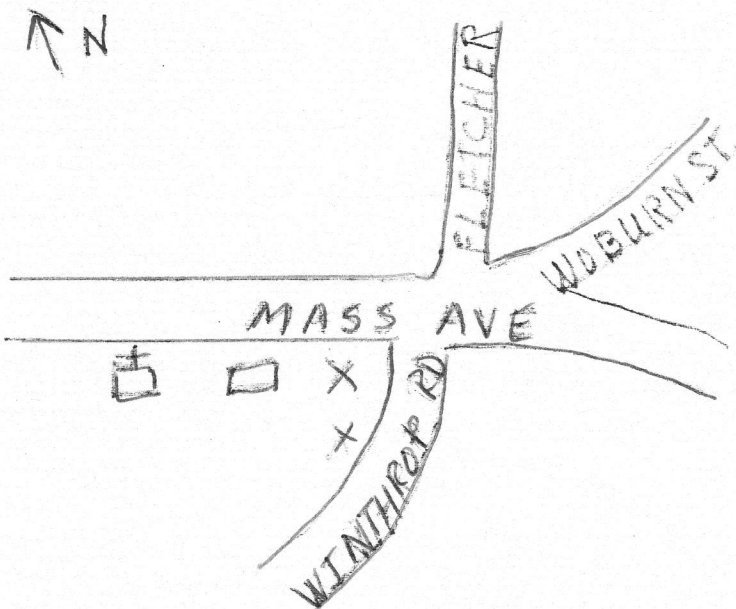
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
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In Area no.	Form no.
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Lexington  
 ss 1556 Mass. Ave.  
Charles A. Butters House  
 at use Residence  
 nt owner \_\_\_\_\_  
 iption: \_\_\_\_\_  
C. 1830  
 rce Greek Revival

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Architect \_\_\_\_\_  
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboard  
 Outbuildings (describe) 2 car garage, rear  
 Other features five bay wide, two bay deep, center entrance, granite foundation, two chimneys at rear eave line w. slight cap (over)  
 Altered \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:  
 One acre or less x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approximate frontage + 50'  
 Approximate distance of building from street 20'

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE  
 USGS Quadrant \_\_\_\_\_  
 MHC Photo no. \_\_\_\_\_

6. Recorded by E. W. Reinhardt  
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(over)

7. Original owner (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Original use \_\_\_\_\_

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates \_\_\_\_\_

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	Exploration/	_____	Science/	_____
The Arts	_____	settlement	_____	invention	_____
Commerce	_____	Industry	_____	Social/	_____
Communication	_____	Military	_____	humanitarian	_____
Community development	_____	Political	_____	Transportation	_____

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Descrip: door Greek Revival wide entablature; side pilasters flanking side lights; panels beneath lights with inset ornamental panels. Porch across front, 1st. floor level only, square posts, dentil course across porch cornice, mini-dentils on posts at capitals. (heavily overgrown arborvitae mask front; white picket fence at sidewalk) Ell with chimney, in rear.

Former home of Charles A. Butters and of his son, Frank Viles Butters (see Hudson, Volume II). C.A. Butters was in the grocery business in Lexington Center in the block now numbered 1768 Massachusetts Avenue. C.A. Butters married Sarah Ann Viles, whose father owned land in this vicinity (see history of Meriam-Viles house, now 37 Woburn Street). He married in 1834.

S. Lawrence Whipple, 1984

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)